

CITY OF SANDUSKY
ADA/Fair Housing Advisory Board
Monday, November 27, 2017
First Floor Conference Room, City Hall
1:00 PM

Members Present – Jeff Berquist, Diane Corso, Lovey Leavell, Kathy Linz, Carol Steele, Kathleen Wickens, Commissioner Lockhart

Members Absent – Martha Thompson

Staff Present – Assistant Law Director, Trevor Hayberger and Clerk, Elisabeth Sowecke

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM.

Chairman Berquist motioned to have the notes from the October 23rd meeting accepted. However, Carol Steele indicated that she had not seen them so the matter of acceptance was tabled for next meeting.

Chairman Berquist presented the custom-framed proclamation to the Board and will follow-up to see where it may be posted in City Hall.

Chairman Berquist reviewed minutes because Carol Steele did not recall receiving minutes from the October meeting. He detailed the opening ceremony at Lions Park. Commissioner Lockhart announced that he presented the idea of dedicating the waterfront walkway at Lions Park to Dr. Linz and indicated that the commission accepted his proposal. Chairman Berquist was in-support of this idea because it is an optimal location for an ADA dedication with wide sidewalks, accessible benches and a beautiful view of the bay. Ms. Linz agreed that as long as the walkway is wide enough, this is a great idea. Chairman Berquist indicated that the City will move forward with manufacturing the plaque, based on the unanimous support from the Board.

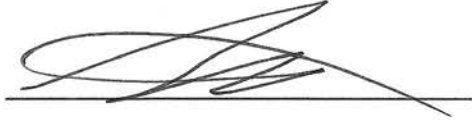
Chairman Berquist raised the 4th of July tabling event as an important event to plan to attend in 2018 and indicated that there is a large percentage of rental properties in the City and Fair Housing is an important aspect to a fair and just society. He would like to ensure that coordination of the booth begins in January in order to ensure the Board is present at the event.

Chairman Berquist indicated that he is impressed with the new Wayfinding signs and their attractiveness and efficiency. In addition, Chairman Berquist sees that the City is moving forward as evidenced by the construction work being done at City Hall. He also expressed that he is disappointed with the loss of Cardinal Grocery and continues to strive to shop locally. He does see a lot of good things happening in the City from a real estate perspective.

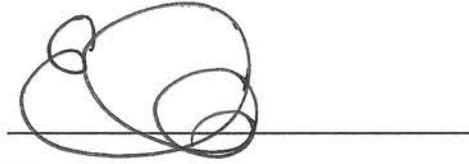
Ms. Steele indicated that she has not visited new restaurants downtown but urged others to follow-up with new businesses to see that they are ADA compliant. Ms. Corso did indicate that Barra's bathroom is compliant and Chairman Berquist indicated that Jax Bar and J Bistro are both compliant.

Next meeting will take place January 22, 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 pm.

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Jeff Berquist
Chairperson

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Elisabeth Sowecke
Clerk